OVERCOMING ROADBLOCKS

Transitioning to an Online Competency Tracking Platform

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Rob's twelve-year educational career is centered around program management, curriculum design, technology integration, programmatic accreditation, and successful student outcomes.

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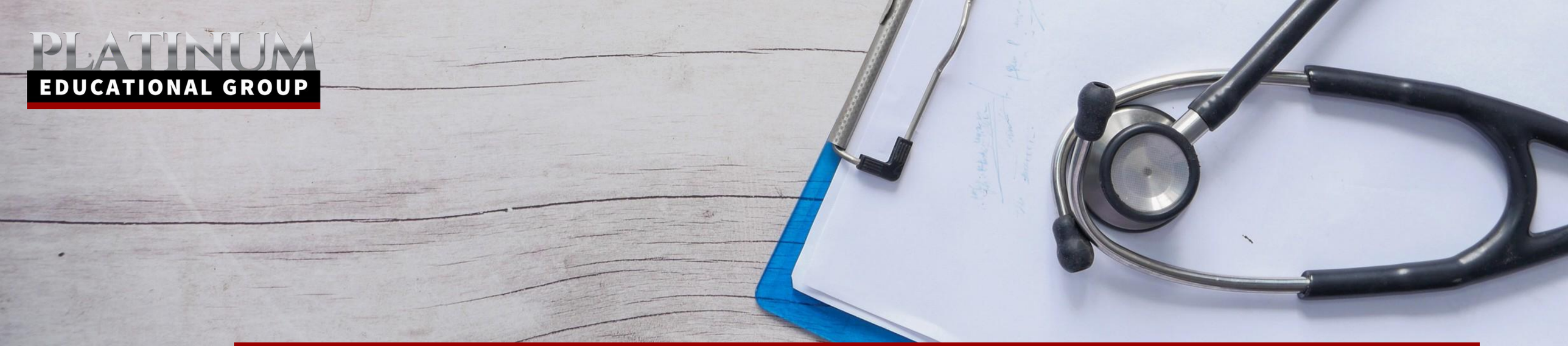

About Platinum Educational Group

Platinum Educational Group is a global leader in online testing, tracking, scheduling, and reporting. Our areas of focus include the Emergency Medical Services, Allied Health, and Nursing industries. Since 2002, we have provided valid and reliable online testing with EMSTesting for the EMS profession. In 2016, we launched Platinum Tests to provide testing for Registered Nursing educational institutions. Platinum Planner, our scheduling software program includes the EMS, Nursing, and all Allied Health industries. In 2019, we designed AccredAssist® to help college program directors organize and manage the information necessary for accreditation reporting.

Our systems are designed to bring students, teachers, schools and clinical sites together to meet accreditation standards, provide reliable tracking and documentation, which will ultimately improve the quality of care for people globally.

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Five Main Roadblocks

with Migrating to Electronic Tracking and Documentation

Not Tech Savvy

Learning a New Method Takes Too Much Time

Electronic Record Keeping is Too Expensive

We've always done it like this… (paper and pencil)

Platform Credibility

The Platinum Solution

- Detailed systematic training and platform ease of use
- Hours spent on manual documentation and calculations (soft costs)
- Connect with other schools and users of the platform
- 2-3 hours for initial training; Customer Support Team available 24/7

The definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over and expecting different results.

There's a better way!

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Bonus Features or Results of Planner

TRAIN STUDENTS TO MATCH THE WORKFORCE

STUDENT AND PRECEPTOR MOBILE APP WITH OFFLINE ACCESSIBILITY

MUCH EASIER SITE VISITS FOR PROGRAM DIRECTORS

PUTS RESPONSIBILITIES ON THE STUDENTS, NOT EDUCATORS

NO MORE STUDENT EXCUSES!

TIME STAMPED GPS WITH 6 FOOT RADIUS FOR ACCURACY

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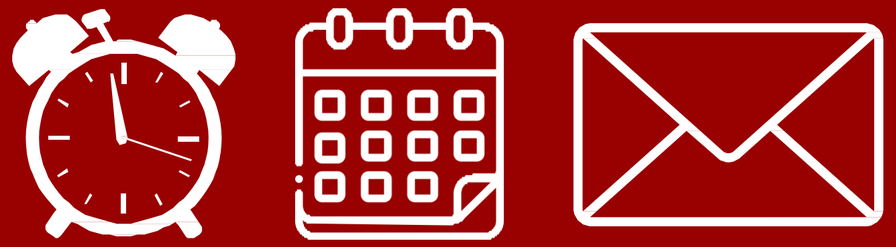

Student Scheduling 101

Creating Clinical Schedules Student & Instructor Calendars

Automated Reoccurring

Competency Tracking 101

Accreditation, Compliance, & Customizable Reporting

Creating & Documenting Lab & Clinical Experiences

Q&A

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